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- (a) There is a Family Security Trust Fund Advisory Committee.
- (b) The Advisory Committee consists of the following five members:
- (1) Three members of the Board, including one consumer member, appointed by the Board;
- (2) One member designated by the Maryland State Funeral Directors Association; and
- (3) One member designated by the Funeral Directors and Morticians Association of Maryland, Inc.
- (c) The Advisory Committee members may be, but are not required to be, licensees of the Board.
- (d) (1) Except for the initial terms of the Advisory Committee, the term of a member is 4 years.
- (2) A member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
- (3) The terms of the initial members shall be staggered evenly between 3 years and 4 years as the Advisory Committee shall determine at the Advisory Committee's first meeting.
 - (4) A member may not serve for more than two 4–year terms.
- (e) The Advisory Committee shall elect annually a chair, vice chair, and secretary from among its members.
- (f) (1) The Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the chair or the vice chair.
- (2) The Advisory Committee shall meet at least twice each year at the times and places that it determines.

(g) The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to provide nonbinding counsel and advice to the Board on any Fund matters other than pending individual claim matters.

(h) The Board shall:

- (1) Work with the Advisory Committee in a cooperative manner; and
- (2) Provide to the Advisory Committee, in a timely manner:
- (i) All appropriate Fund information, other than information involving pending claim matters; and
- (ii) Summary information about the outcome of all closed claims, including actual amounts of individual and total claim payments.
 - (i) A member of the Advisory Committee:
- (1) May not receive compensation as a member of the Advisory Committee; but
- (2) May receive reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

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